Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for one's fellow man, and Dan Bechtold has exemplified those characteristics through his 40-year commitment to the *Winner Advocate*; and,

Whereas, In March 1970, shortly after graduation from South Dakota State University and a brief stint in the United States Air Force, Dan began his newspaper career with the *Winner Advocate*; and,

Whereas, Dan became a familiar face at most Winner and Colome news and sporting events, school board meetings, city council meetings, and county commission meetings, and, with a camera around his neck, soon became known around the area as, "Dan, the Camera Man"; and,

Whereas, As editor of the newspaper, Dan has reported and chronicled the accomplishments and family events of several generations of local residents, providing him the opportunity to meet almost everyone in the area and for them to meet him; and,

Whereas, Dan has also given generously of his personal time and talents to serve as a member or officer on numerous community boards and organizations; and,

Whereas, In celebration of the *Winner Advocate's* 100 years in business, it is fitting and proper as governor to recognize one who has served as a faithful employee:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 29, 2010, as

DAN BECHTOLD DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State